

# MANY LONG DRIVES MADE BY WOMEN

Strong Wind Helped Some in National Tournament at Chevy Chase.

During the women's national golf championship tournament at Chevy Chase last October, many exceptionally long drives were made. In fact, so much prominence was given those far carries that one foreign writer has asked why, if American women can drive these distances, those who were at St. Andrews, Scotland, last spring competing in the British women's championship could get little more than 150 yards.

In explaining this yesterday, a well-known local golfer said: "To begin with, the conditions were somewhat different. The American women who went to St. Andrews last spring could hardly be regarded as representative of the driving strength of this country. Unquestionably at the time the American tournament was played the Chevy Chase course was fast from the long continued drought, and besides, the wind proved quite a factor."

"There is no denying, however, that the driving at Chevy Chase was above the average, both in the match play rounds and the driving competition. There can be no doubt as to the correctness of the distances in the latter event, as a competent committee composed of United States Golf Association and Chevy Chase Club officials attended to all the details."

"The competitors drove from a point almost in front of the first tee toward the first green, which was guarded by two bunkers, one on each side. For half the distance the ground fell away a trifle, after which the fairway continued quite level to the green. A moderate wind at the time swept from such a quarter as to give a long run to a pulled ball, a stroke which under any conditions is always sure of the maximum distance provided the pull is not too greatly exaggerated."

"Miss Fanny C. Osgood made three drives, all of which ran between the bunkers to the green, and one of these efforts reached a distance of 252 yards. Her aggregate distance was 742 yards, giving an average of 247 1/3 yards. The longest single drive in that contest was credited to Miss Grace Semple, who, on one of her tee shots, made 258 yards. Her aggregate for the three drives was 712 yards, while Miss Kate Harley, who won the championship, totaled 703."

"Oddly enough, none of these players, Miss Osgood possibly excepted, was regarded as anything out of the ordinary run in the long game of golf. On the other hand, Miss Margaret Curtis and her sister, Harriet, admittedly two of the longest drivers on this side of the Atlantic, were unable to keep within bounds in this particular competition, and consequently failed to qualify. Earlier in the tournament, however, in her match against Miss Harley, Miss M. Curtis had the distinction of driving about 250 yards. It was while going to the seventh hole. The Boston woman got home easily with an iron for her second shot, although the hole measures more than 400 yards. On this day there was a following wind for holes running the same as the seventh."

"So far as the doubting Thomas class of critics abroad is concerned, it might be added that the contents of the game over here have equal cause for taking some of the reports which reach these shores with a grain of salt. For instance, the best of the American efforts fall far short of the 300 yards which Miss May Hazlet is said to have driven, and by a mile of wind, at Newcastle, County Down, Ireland."

# V. P. I. WINS FIRST BASKETBALL GAME

With Only Ten Days' Experience They Defeat Emory and Henry.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) BLACKSBURG, VA., January 24.—In the first intercollegiate game of basketball ever played at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute the Techs defeated Emory and Henry Friday evening by a score of 32 to 24. This was a first showing for the victors, as they are in the field for the first time, and have had only about ten days' practice, while their opponents are old hands at the game.

Hurt, Hargrove and Hughes did the work for V. P. I. Hurt's work at forward classing him among the best in the State. Suttle and Spratt were the goals for Emory and Henry. Field goals—Hurt, 7; Hargrove, 6; Hughes, 3; Legge, 2; Spratt, 3; Warren, 3; Suttle, 1; Autt, 2. Goals from fouls—Hurt, 1; Spratt, 4; Suttle, 1; Autt, 1; V. P. I., 18; Emory and Henry, 6. The line-up: V. P. I., Positions. E. and H. Hurt, right forward; Spratt, Hargrove, left forward; Warren, Hughes, center; Suttle, LaFord, right guard; Autt (Bright). Legge, left guard; Watson, Umpire, Rev. R. B. Nelson, Referee, E. G. Kessling. Time of halves, 20 minutes.

# COACHES TO ENGLAND

Alfred G. Vanderbilt Ships the Viking and the Venture.

NEW YORK, January 24.—Alfred G. Vanderbilt's twin coaches, Venture and Viking, were shipped to England yesterday on the Minneapolis.

Mr. Vanderbilt will drive the old Venture coach, and Charles Wilson, his manager, will be in charge of the Viking. The two coaches, which will run between London and Brighton, will leave these places at the same hour, and will be timed to meet at Crowley, where luncheon will be served to the passengers at the quaint old George Hotel. In this way those who wish

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# THE ONE BEST BET TO WHIP BLACK CHAMPION



JAMES J. CORBETT, on right, battling ex-champion James J. Jeffries that he can whip Johnson.

JAMES JEFFRIES, as he is to-day. He is seen here working in gymnasium with DeWitt Van Court, and in comparison shows Jeff's massive build.

JAMES JEFFRIES, Working the pulley.

to make the journey between London and Brighton can do so in one day, or they can go back the same day to the point from which they started on the other coach.

Profiting by his experience last year, Mr. Vanderbilt has bought larger horses, and has shipped them to England early, so that they may become acclimated. Last season the horses selected were quite up to the American standard for coach horses, but the English idea is more bulk and bone. In speaking of his plans, Mr. Vanderbilt said that, as the coach was for the public, he would endeavor this year to give them what they wanted. The horses he has selected are all American trotting bred horses of the heavy harness type. He expects to keep the two coaches on the road during the International Horse Show, and at the end of the coaching season he will sell the horses at auction. He will probably have little difficulty in disposing of them, for his latest scheme has excited universal interest, nothing of the kind ever having been attempted before.

The single coach which Mr. Vanderbilt put on the road last year between London and Brighton was a novelty, but only once since the railroads forced the old royal mails into retirement has a two-end coach been seen on the Brighton road, and this was put on by a company of coaching men.

# "YOUNG CORBETT" KNOCKS OUT FERNS

Match Fought Yesterday Across the River from New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., January 24.—"Young Corbett" knocked out Harry Ferns in the eleventh round of a match fought this afternoon before the West-side Athletic Club, in McDonoghville, across the river from New Orleans. Ferns was strong in the clinches and had at even break for the first five rounds. In the sixth Corbett landed several blows to the mouth and eye, drawing first blood. From this time on Corbett had all the best of it, landing at will. The bell probably saved Ferns in the eighth, although he took his punishment gamely and came up strong in every round.

Players Who Have Signed. Secretary Farrell's bulletin, just issued, gives the names of the following players who have signed contracts with clubs in the Virginia State League: Richmond—George Kiefl, Jack Ash-ton, Ira C. Watson, Ed. Wright.

Roanoke—H. V. Alkire.

Released by Purchase.

By Reading to Roanoke—Frank Shaughnessy.

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Roanoke—Vaughn.

Selected by Draft.

Danville from Wilson—Pitcher Mayberry.

Norfolk from Chester—W. T. Temple.

Roanoke from Greenville—"Buck" Pressley.

They Like Biggie.

Frank Biggie, the Richmond boy, who played almost all the infield positions with Columbia in the South Atlantic League, last year, has been reserved by that club.

Columbians are looking forward with much interest to Biggie's success this coming season, and expect this to be a great year for the local boy. Arthur Granville will manage Columbia this season. When Granville married last year a few years back he had with him then Jay Kanzer and "Hoot Mon" McKenzie.

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# PLAYING SUNDAY BASEBALL ANYHOW

Pensacola's Blue Laws Have No Jurisdiction on the Reservation.

PENSACOLA, FLA., January 24.—Notwithstanding the general observance of the Sunday blue laws in Pensacola proper, the army reservation, over which the civil authorities have no jurisdiction, witnessed two games of baseball to-day, and amusement-loving Pensacola flocked there in hundreds.

The first game, between a local team and a team from the army post, was followed by a game between the army and navy. The suburban car line was taxed to its capacity, and the people seemed to delight in the knowledge that on the reservation they were beyond the sheriff's power, and cheered themselves hoarse.

All places of business in the city were closed, not even a cigar or soft drink being offered for sale. Sunday baseball on the reservation will be continued.

# SLOSSON-SUTTON BILLIARD BATTLE

Two Wizards of the Cue to Meet Tuesday for Emblem.

NEW YORK, January 24.—George F. Slosson and George B. Sutton will meet on Tuesday evening in the concert hall at Madison Square Garden, with the world's championship at 18.1 balls, billiards at stake. In addition to a side bet and a percentage of the gross receipts, Slosson, one of the veteran players of the game, is the challenger, as Sutton now holds the title and emblem, won by default last May, when Jack Schaefer was too ill to defend his title.

Slosson and Sutton have been practicing regularly for the match for the last two weeks, and both have shown that they are at the top of their game. The "Student" has been at work at his own academy, with Harry Kline as an opponent, the latter playing 18.2 to Slosson's 18.1. The veteran has not lost his cunning, and many of his friends are backing him to win with surprising confidence.

Sutton has been playing at Maurice Daly's academy, and playing well, although he has had one or two days off, particularly last Monday, when V. H. Spinks, the California professional, defeated him by a score of 309 to 199. Sutton's friends are not worrying, however, and he himself seems confident of winning on Tuesday.

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# "FREE STATE OF JEFFERSON" QUIET

Action of Louisiana's Governor Forces an Observation of the Law.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., January 24.—With the horses which have been running at the suburban race-track at Metairie, the doors to the gambling houses at Southport closed tight, and a ban placed upon the sale of lottery tickets. Jefferson Parish, La., is just at present experiencing the quietude which has been the lot of Louisiana since the passage of the "Free State of Jefferson" law. The law, which has been frequently interpreted differently from what they have been in the parish of Orleans. "So when the turbaned form that the Orleans parish officials regarded as a violation of the law, the Louisiana Assembly, they promptly moved across the river. Here a somewhat broader view of the statutes was taken. District Attorney L. H. Marrero, Jr., announced that he did not think the Locke law was being violated, and so instructing the sheriff, L. M. Marrero, Sr.

Following this announcement the races continued at Suburban Park for a week, but in the meantime a storm had been started by those who have been protesting against the law, and the Locke law was being violated, and so instructing the sheriff, L. M. Marrero, Sr.

The only violation of the law in Jefferson last night was called to the attention of the Governor by a newspaper reporter, who entered the parish to investigate an alleged lottery. He succeeded in purchasing a lottery ticket.

To-morrow the cases of Jack Sheehy and William Baisland, arrested at the Suburban track Friday on charge of violating the Locke law, will come up for trial in the District Court of Jefferson. The cases will be prosecuted by District Attorney St. Clair Adams, of the Parish of Orleans.

In the event of the closing of the racing establishments in California, it is said that racing will be shifted to Nevada or Lower California.

Havana Races. HAVANA, January 24.—This was the last day of racing at Alameda Park. Results: First race—five and a half furlongs—Jack Macken first, Griffin second, Katie Gleason third. Time, 1:09 2-5. Second race—hurdles, one and three-sixteenths miles—Lizzie Flat first, Gaddy second, Dr. Young third. Time, 2:19. Third race—one and three-sixteenths miles—Melange first, Laughing Eyes second, Gowanah third. Time, 2:01 4-5. Fourth race—six furlongs—Batie Axa first, Restless second, Ornamosa third. Time, 1:16 2-5. Fifth race—six furlongs—L'Amour first, Artful Dodger second, Elder third. Time, 1:15. Sixth race—seven furlongs—Rexall first, Autumn Maid second, Trey of Spades third. Time, 1:23 2-5. Seventh race—one and one-sixteenths miles—Malediction first, Solon Shingle second, Water Cooler third. Time, 1:48.

Latonia Case. Action of Racing Commission in Revoking License to Be Heard. CINCINNATI, O., January 24.—Unless the untimely occurs, the case of the Latonia Agricultural Association against the Kentucky Racing Commission will be heard before Circuit Judge Matt L. Harrison in Covington, during this week. The hearing will be had wholly on affidavits submitted by both sides.

This case involves the right of the Kentucky Racing Commission to revoke the license of the Latonia track. The latter maintains that the commission has exceeded its authority, while the commission pleads that it is supreme in the premises. The result will influence largely the manner of betting at the Latonia track.

Winter Clearance Sale. The costume worn by Otis Skinner in his new play, "The Honor of the Family," is a veritable replica of the clothes worn by a Napoleonic veteran, who lived to a green old age after the downfall of the empire. There used to be an anniversary day in Paris of Waterloo, when the surviving Bonapartists of the Old Guard congregated at a small and obscure cafe to drink the health of their idol. The green and gold uniform of the Imperial Guard was invariably worn on these occasions. A fabulous figure in French money, Mr. Skinner secured the uniform of one of the Bonapartists, and

At a reception, the like of which has never before in this city, the Rev. Frank Granstaff, D. D., and Mr. W. E. Pugh, who have been in charge of the Manchester end of the revival meetings, last night bade good-by to the many church members and others who have followed them to the congregations since the beginning of the meetings in this city. Both Dr. Granstaff and Mr. Pugh expressed themselves as loth to leave, and the sorrow at their departure could be plainly seen on the faces of those who remained after the meeting to tell them good-by.

Many remain to shake hands. Practically the entire congregation stayed after the service to shake the hands of the two men who have done so much good in the city since the services were started. Forming a line after the service, they one after another shook hands with the two evangelists and thanked them for their work. Dr. Granstaff and Mr. Pugh were very much touched by the expressions of regret at their leaving.

Possibly no service during the meetings was more crowded than that last night. Long before the doors of the church were opened the crowd began arriving, and at the hour scheduled for the beginning of the service it was packed to its capacity. Many were turned away from the doors. Even at a seating capacity of Central Church was not sufficient to hold the large crowd and an overflow meeting, conducted by the Rev. Mr. Sawyer, of Richmond, was held at Balbridge Street Church.

Taking his text from the twenty-second chapter of I. Kings, Dr. Granstaff preached a forcible and interesting sermon. During the service Mr. Pugh sang "I have been a sinner, but I have been forgiven," and the congregation went forward to bid the two evangelists good-by to the congregation, led by Mr. Pugh, sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," the choir responding with "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," and the revival, which has been of incalculable

benefit to this city, was ended. Bishop Randolph Preaches. Before a congregation which completely filled the church, the Rev. A. M. Randolph, Bishop of the Diocese of Southern Virginia, yesterday morning delivered a strong sermon at Meade Memorial Episcopal Church, following which he administered the rites of confirmation to a class of seven. Seldom in the history of the church has the congregation present yesterday been exceeded in numbers. Many were present from Richmond, and in order to accommodate the vast crowd it became necessary to fill the aisles with chairs. Bishop Randolph's sermon was strong, and was delivered with force and emphasis. The vested choir, under the leadership of Mr. Henry F. Vaughan, was especially good. The choir equals, if it does not excel, many of the Richmond churches. At the conclusion of the sermon the bishop confirmed the following class: Miss Martha Susan Osterlind, Harvie Linwood Moore, Heath Owen, Rance Callahan Henry, Robert Lee Henry, John Robert Woods and Sylvester L. Tignor.

Afternoon Meetings. The meeting for men held in the afternoon, in connection with the Chapman-Alexander evangelistic meetings, at Balbridge Street Church yesterday afternoon was largely attended. Dr. Granstaff conducted the services and Mr. W. E. Pugh sang several solos. A number of those present professed religion and went forward for prayer. At the same hour Mrs. Asher conducted a special service for women at Central Methodist Church, which was also well attended. Mrs. Asher sang two solos. Her work has been the subject of much favorable comment in this city since the beginning of the revival services.

Personals and Briefs. Central, Decatur Street, West End and Asbury Methodist Episcopal Churches decided last night to continue the evangelistic meetings under the direction of their respective pastors. The Rev. J. J. Pix, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, will announce his decision on the subject Wednesday night.

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LYNCHING AVERTED. Negroes Spirited Away and Landed in the State Penitentiary. BATON ROUGE, LA., January 24.—It being feared that they would be lynched if allowed to remain in the jail at Port Allen, four negroes, Ben and Will Price, Wallace Jones and Walter Owen, were spirited away from the jail of the Port Allen, La., by the Texas and Pacific Railway, which occurred at Alford's station late last night, was brought to the cooler headed of the State Penitentiary at Jena.

After being captured early to-day, the negroes were placed in the jail at Port Allen, and after a lynching had been narrowly averted, the train was stopped before reaching Port Allen and the negroes hurried across the country to the penitentiary. A few of the cooler headed of the Texas succeeded in staying summary action, which was promised by a large crowd of infuriated whites.

An investigation into the facts connected with the killing is said to have revealed a plot of the negroes to bribe about the death of Jack Griffin, another conductor of the road, who was on occasion to strike the negro, Wallace Jones, a short time ago.

It was said that Hall was the victim of mistaken identity, and received the bullet that had been intended for Griffin.

"MODEL" YOUNG MAN GIVES UP. Admits to Official He Is Wanted for Embezzlement. ST. LOUIS, January 24.—After a family council in which his father told him not to run away, John G. Herman, twenty-eight years old, church worker and "model" young man, charged with embezzlement, went to a State prison.

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